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HTRI TRENDING DOWNWARD

In May, the HIGH TECHNOLOGY RECRUITMENT INDEX lost six points from the April level of 118, triggered by continuing declines in the computer and electronics industries. The indicator now stands at 112.

The single-month figure for June is 105, portending the likelihood of a further drop next month.

According to DS&E's Research Director, "We may not see an increase in the HTRI until the Fall, as corporations postpone hiring during the summer, and fill their immediate requirements from the pool of technical talent available from recent layoffs."

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The HTRI is based on the volume of recruitment advertising directed to degreed engineers and scientists in key U.S. newspapers and technical journals each month. Deutsch, Shea and Evans, which has maintained the Index since 1960, is the human resources consulting and advertising subsidiary of Foote, Cone & Belding Communications, Inc.

HIGH TECHNOLOGY RECRUITMENT INDEX

(1961=100; Seasonally Adjusted)

Month	Single-Month Figure	High Technology Recruitment Index*
June	138	138
July	138	135
August	129	133
September	131	130
October	131	128
November	121	123
December	120	125
January, 1985	135	126
February	123	127
March	122	122
April	121	118
May	109	112
June	105	--

*Based on a 3-month running average

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